

Abilene Police Department

News Release NR 0804060

450 PECAN STREET - ABILENE, TX 79602 Ph: (325) 673-8331

Posted online at www.abilenepolice.org

Media Contact: Rick Tomlin, Public Information Coordinator

Ph: (325) 437-4529 Email: apdpio@abilenetx.com

ww.abilene FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 4, 2015

Door-to-door solicitors misrepresenting themselves as City employees

ABILENE TX- The City of Abilene and the Abilene Police Department would like to warn residents of solicitors falsely representing the City of Abilene. The Water Department has received complaints of door-to-door sales people directly stating or implying that they are City of Abilene employees. These sales people are not associated with the City of Abilene, nor are they permitted to sell door-to-door.

City of Abilene employees will never solicit door-to-door. The only time a City of Abilene Water employee will come to a resident's door is if that resident has requested services from the City or if the employee is informing the resident of a situation that may impact them.

Soliciting door-to-door without a permit in the City of Abilene is a criminal offense. Door-to-door solicitors must be permitted by the City of Abilene and prominently display their permit while soliciting.

If a resident comes in contact with a solicitor who is claiming to be associated with the City of Abilene, and/or unable to provide a permit, that resident is encouraged to contact the Abilene Police Department non-emergency line at 325-673-8331.





@abilenepd



Abilene Police
Department

"You are the first line of defense against crime"